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## RADIO

Pre-crisis:Yerevan:

- One-half hour daily of Yerevan international service in Armenian. Product nil.

Baku:

- One-half hour daily of Baku domestic service in Azeri. Product low.

Post-crisis:Yerevan:

- Fifteen hours daily (open speaker watch). Production increased from 0 in January to 10,000 words in February.
- BBC sent Armenian/Azeri monitor TDY to Nicosia to reinforce coverage. Phone patch instituted between Nicosia and London.

Baku:

- Ten hours daily (open speaker watch). Production up from 2,000 words in January to 4,000 words in February.

## PRESS

Pre-crisis:

- Extremely low output from the two principal Russian-language newspapers in Yerevan and Baku. Virtually nothing from the vernacular press, which largely duplicates Russian.

Post-crisis:

- A dozen articles daily from above-mentioned Russian-language newspapers. Nothing from the vernacular press, which requires at least two months, including transit time, to process. Not expected to be productive in any event. Changes in Headquarters scanning procedures for vernacular expected to make this effort more cost-effective without loss of useful material.